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## Claims

A system (10) comprising an internet terminal (20) and a keyboard (30) 1. adapted to be coupled therewith, wherein:

> the internet terminal (20), which is preferably designed as a WebPad, comprises:

a touch-sensitive display (21),

a means (22) for coupling the keyboard (30).

a means (23) for communication with the keyboard (30), and

a means (24) for receiving power for operating the internet

terminal (20) from the keyboard (30), and

the keyboard (30) comprises:

a plurality of keys (31) for receiving inputs from a user.

a means (32) for coupling the internet terminal (20), the means being designed such that the user can operate the keys (31) and simultaneously view the display (21),

a means (33) for communication with the internet terminal (20), a means (34) for receiving power from a power supply system,

and a means (35) for supplying power to the internet terminal

(20).

- The system (10) according to claim 1, wherein the communication between the internet terminal (20) and the keyboard (30) takes place without contact.
- The system (10) according to claim 1 or 2, wherein power is supplied to the internet terminal (20) and received from the keyboard (30) without contact.
- 4. The system (10) according to any one of claims 1 to 3, further comprising: a base station suited for connection to a telephone network, for wireless communication, preferably according to the DECT standard, wherein

the internet terminal (20) further comprises:

a means (25) for wireless communication with the base station.

 The system (10) according to any one of claims 1 to 4, wherein the keyboard (30) further comprises:

a means (36) for storing power.

- The system (10) according to any one of claims 1 to 5, wherein the means (32) for coupling the internet terminal (20) comprises means (37) which surround the coupled internet terminal (20) laterally at least in part.
- The system (10) according to any one of claims 1 to 6, wherein the means (32) for coupling the internet terminal (20) comprises means which permit a pivoting of the internet terminal (20).
- The system (10) according to claim 7, wherein a line of intersection of a first plane defined by the plurality of keys (31) and of a second plane defined by

the display (21) substantially defines an axis around which the pivotal movement takes place.

- The system (10) according to any one of claims 1 to 8, wherein the means
   (32) for coupling the internet terminal (20) comprises means which maintain a relative position of the coupled internet terminal (20) and of the keyboard (30).
- 10. The system (10) according to any one of claims 1 to 9, wherein the keyboard (30) further comprises:
  - a means for storing large amounts of data, preferably a hard-disk drive.
- 11. The system (10) according to any one of claims 1 to 10, wherein the keyboard (30) further comprises:
  - a means for reading in data and programs, preferably a CD-ROM disk drive.
- An internet terminal (20) for use in the system according to any one of claims
   to 11.
- A keyboard (30) for use in the system (10) according to any one of claims 1 to 11.